

“automatic device” of Claim 7. Importantly, the Examiner has indicated that Claims 1 - 9 would be allowable if rewritten and amended to overcome the formality objection under 35 § U.S.C. 112, second paragraph.

In reply to the Official Action, Applicant has extensively amended the original claim language in the form of new independent Claim 10 and dependent Claims 11 - 17. Each of these claims has been expressed in a proper U.S. format, including proper antecedent bases and proper structural interrelationships throughout. Any indefinite terminology found in the original claim language has been corrected herein.

In particular, new independent Claim 10 reflects the limitations of previous independent Claim 1. Dependent Claims 11 - 15 reflect the limitations of previous dependent Claims 2 - 6. Dependent Claims 16 and 17 reflect the limitations, respectively, of previous dependent Claims 8 and 9. Applicant has canceled the reference to the “pressurized air source” in previous Claim 4, now dependent Claim 13. Applicant has canceled the limitations found in previous dependent Claim 7 herein. As such, the drawing objections under 37 C.F.R. 1.83(a) have been corrected.

Applicant has revised the drawings so as to comply with 37 C.F.R. 1.84(p)(5) so as to include the reference sign “42”.

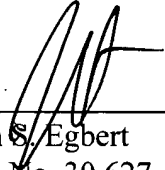
Based upon the foregoing analysis, Applicant contends that independent Claim 10 is now in proper condition for allowance. Additionally, those claims which are dependent upon independent Claim 10 should also be in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the rejections and allowance

of the claims at an early date is earnestly solicited. Since no new claims have been added above those originally paid for, no additional fee is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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